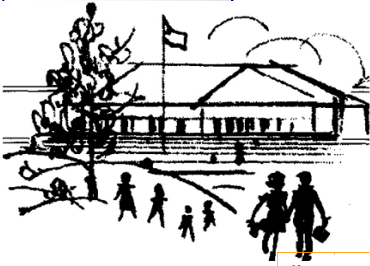


June/July 2019

Graham County School News



Graham County School Superintendent

Donna M. McGaughey

Volume 15, Issue 6/7

"Providing Quality Service and Support to Graham County Schools"

Please visit our website
www.graham.az.gov

Superintendent's Message

Achievement. In spite of national rankings, legislative mandates, and constant negativity toward education, achievement means many different things. Once again I witnessed students receiving high academic awards and accolades for their hard work. We have hundreds of kids going to college. Our students competed in statewide public speaking, exams, and demonstrations. Other students built beautiful pieces of furniture, became masters at diagnosing engine troubles, created delicious meals and became problem solvers. They raised crops, animals, earned certificates in a number of fields and excelled in vocational programs.

I also witnessed milestones such as special needs students developing the muscles needed to grip objects. Other students proudly explained why they were making good decisions to stay away from drugs and alcohol—the very items that are affecting their cognitive abilities today, because of possible exposure in the womb. Some students read their first book. Some wrote their names after painstaking practice, over and over, all year long. Yes, achievement means many things. Graham County students, teachers, support staff and administrators, be proud of the many achievements all of you have made, no matter how large or how small. Thank you. Rest up; it's going to start again before you know it, and there is no more important work out there, than what you are doing.

Contact us!

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Hours: Monday—Thursday
7:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.
Closed Fridays

Dates to Remember:

June 3-6—SEATA and now it's in the books!

June 14—Flag Day

June 16—Father's Day

June 21—First day of summer

July 4—Independence Day

July 6—Nickel Picnic and Battle of the Bands at the Fairgrounds

July 22-Aug. 1—Bylas Kindergarten Camp at Mt. Turnbull Elementary

August—Yep, it's time for school to start!

Start getting ready for the new school year!



Southeast Arizona Teachers' Academy “SEATA”

June 3-6, 2019 at Eastern Arizona College

**The United Way of Graham and Greenlee Counties
funded us**

**Patti Wren offered the powerful keynote
EAC President Todd Haynie welcomed everyone
State Superintendent of Instruction Kathy Hoffman
offered remarks and met with administrators**

**224 Educators attended
57 Master Educators presented
136 Sessions were offered**

**Freeport-McMoRan, Inc. sponsored two luncheons at
The Plank**

**13 Awesome, brave souls entered the
“Show Us Your Best” SLAM**

**We enjoyed four days of great professional
development, networking, renewal, and reconnecting
with our educational family**

**This was the 2019
Southeast Arizona Teachers' Academy**

Boom!

Mic drop



State Superintendent of Instruction Kathy Hoffman, SEATA volunteer Kate McEuen, Arizona Department of Education Communications Director and Safford High School Alumnus Richie Taylor, and Donna McGaughey, Graham County School Superintendent



StarLab Planetarium



Morenci educator Jennie Romero



Graham Co. Health Dept.

SEATA offered a wide variety of professional development opportunities, including the StarLab Planetarium, which is seen set up inside the Gherald Hoopes Activity Center Dining Room. Jennie Romero presented a class called “Paw Packs Literacy Backpacks” for preschool educators. The Graham County Health Department—Hank Metzger, Melissa Lunt and Toni Palomino presented a session on basic CPR, Epi Pens, Vaping and other emergency topics. Teachers had opportunities to take a Code.org class, travel to the MGIO telescopes, learn how to integrate social studies and art and much, much more.

The “Show Us Your Best” SLAM was another fun learning experience with 13 educators teaching new ideas in 3 minutes or less.



Some of our “Slammers” waiting for the results of the voting.

The 2019 SEATA “Show us Your Best” SLAM winners! Kayla Roderick, Tara Cochran and Allie Wren. They had the whole group up and participating in a “Gonoodle” movement activity. We also learned the following new things from our “Slammers.”

(see below)



1. Jennifer Morales—“Goosechase” online scavenger hunt
2. Stasha Barlow—“Post-it Paragraph Organizer”
3. Jenni Wood—“Apples to Apples” justification activity learned in Julia Salce’s session.
4. Marci Harris—“The Effects of Trauma”
5. Becky Booth—“Screencastify” Recording your lessons
6. Rachel Allred—“SEATA Tidbits” montage of things learned at SEATA
7. Carol Elders—“Flippity” an add-on in Google Sheets
8. Kate McEuen—“Ben’s Bells” kindness program
9. Duane Richins—“Sketchup” online drafting program
10. Rachel Casperson—“5’ x 5’ Grid” for problem solving, movement, etc.
11. Cassie Montoya - “Rewordify” reworks difficult text for readers
12. Wanda Evans—“Photo Circle” quick way to share photos

Look what the good folks at E.A.S.I. have planned for you!



All teachers who teach STEM subjects are invited to join the Eastern Arizona Science Initiative, known as E.A.S.I. They have a wonderful slate of camps, professional development and meetings planned. This is the schedule, subject to slight changes, but use this to plan ahead.

Please let your fellow teachers know about the wonderful opportunities gained by joining E.A.S.I.! It's easy!

2019 EASI Camps and Events Calendar:

Monthly Meetings – DPC Ranch House 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. *(generally the second Wednesday of each month)*

Wed. Aug. 14, 2019
Wed. Sept. 11, 2019
Wed. Oct. 9, 2019
Wed. Nov. 13, 2019
Wed. Dec. 11, 2019

Special Events/Activities:

EASI High School Geology Camp

Monday—Thursday, June 17-20, 2019

EASI Summer Science Camp

Monday—Wednesday, June 24-26, 2019

Contact Jackie Madsen at Jackie.madsen@eac.edu

Or call the EAC Discovery Park Campus at

928-428-6260





Special Education Leader Scholar Communities (SELSC)

Doctoral Leadership Grant Opportunity

Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College (MLFTC), at Arizona State University (ASU) has been awarded funding from the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) for a project entitled, **Special Education Leader Scholar Communities** (SELSC), a grant to prepare leaders in special education through a four-year doctoral program (Ed.D). This cohort of 8 talented special education leaders will begin the program in January 2020, with recruitment starting during the summer of 2019. The grant will cover participant costs with full tuition, a small stipend, materials, and travel. Applicants must have a Masters' degree in special education or a related field, appropriate special education licensure (teacher or related service provider), and agree to continue working in an area of special education leadership for 2 years for every year of grant support (a total of 8 years). With courses offered in a flexible format both online and on weekends, participants maintain their current employment and conduct an action research dissertation related to a significant problem of practice in their area of employment.

SELSC will increase the number of doctoral-level special education leaders who are prepared to administer programs that create conditions for improving outcomes of high-need students with disabilities and prepare leaders who are skilled in disseminating evidence-based knowledge and results to school professionals, educational leaders, and policy makers. This grant responds to a critical need to prepare doctoral level special education leaders to meet the demands of school populations with highly diverse students. SELSC will prepare personnel for leadership positions such as local education agency (LEA) special education directors, school-based special education directors, and public and private agency directors who serve individuals with disabilities and their families. The program will provide future leaders with the knowledge, skills, and strategies needed to address the development, delivery, and sustainability of evidence-based interventions (EBIs) that promote literacy development, literacy skills, and other skills critical for college and today's careers that improve outcomes for students with disabilities in high-need, culturally diverse schools.

SELSC fellows will have the opportunity to affect meaningful change in their area(s) of influence. They will achieve their goals through meaningful research, guided by general and special faculty in an award-winning Ed.D. program, while retaining or advancing in their professional position, and while developing a career path in leadership and innovation. As a result, the special education leadership community served by ASU will have greatly increased its capacity to improve services for individuals with disabilities.

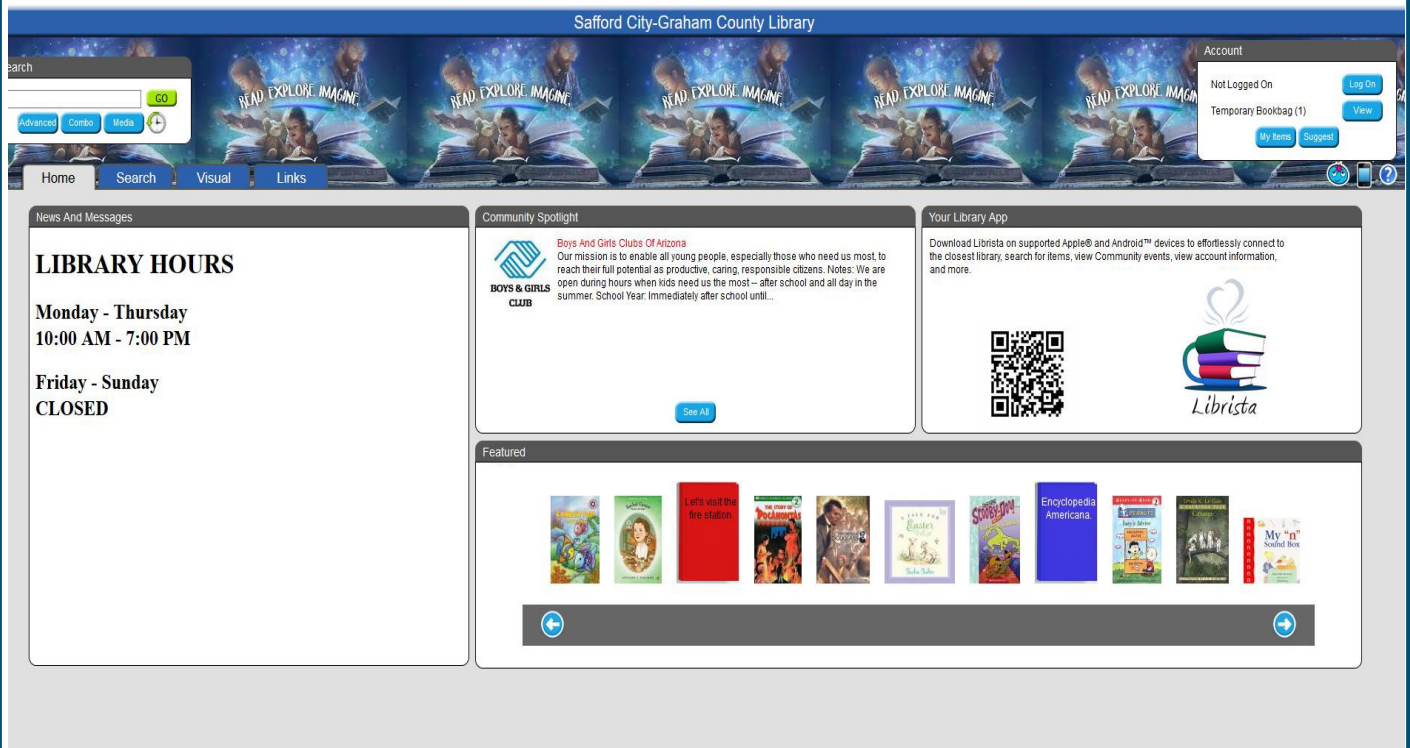
SELSC application period is June-October 2019. For more information, contact gradeducation@asu.edu or 602-543-3434

WHAT'S NEW AT THE SAFFORD CITY—GRAHAM COUNTY LIBRARY!

Atrium from Book Systems

The Safford Library is excited to announce our new and improved library system. A whole new package of awesome features and a more visual, user-friendly layout, Atrium includes:

- ◇ Online registration for library cards.
- ◇ Online reservation and renewal of items.
- ◇ One-stop searching for books, DVDs, audiobooks and eBooks.
- ◇ In-depth info on books, including cover images, table of contents, author notes, summaries and publisher reviews.
- ◇ Patron-friendly browsing. Search by your interests, recent additions, award winners and type of material (including DVDs and eBooks).
- ◇ Adding of items to your personal Bookbag to remember for future checkout.
- ◇ Community Spotlight on upcoming library events.





The Safford City-Graham County Library offers amazing resources for teachers and students at no cost!

Library Cards Residents of Graham and Greenlee county are eligible for a free library card. Children under 18 must have a parent's or legal guardian's permission to get a library card.

Library Tours and ScienceCity Field Trips Library tours are available for classes with at least 2 weeks' notice. For more information, write to Victoria Silva at vsilva@saffordaz.gov. A limited number of hands-on ScienceCity field trips are available to K-6th classes visiting the library. For more information, write to Lesley Talley at ltalley@saffordaz.gov.

Online Tutoring Live, online tutoring for students in kindergarten through college is available daily from 2pm till midnight through Tutor.com on the library's website. Tutor.com is free to all students in Graham and Greenlee counties thanks to support from the Safford Library, the Greenlee County Library District and the United Way of Graham County.

Online Classes - Universal Class

Over 500 free online classes are available to library card holders. Courses include computer skills and teacher related courses for CEU credit. Remember, the classes are free **ONLY** if accessed through the library's website.

Language Learning - Mango Languages

User-friendly language learning is available for over 70 languages through Mango Languages. It includes 11 ESL options for those who are learning English. Remember, the classes are free **ONLY** if accessed through the library's website.

Academic Databases

Information-packed online databases from Gale and Britannica are available for elementary through high-school age children. With vetted information, no pop-up ads and clear citations, they offer a great research tool for students.

Tumblebooks, eBooks and downloadable audiobooks

Digital versions of many popular books for young children through teens are available through the library website. Tumblebooks targets younger children with colorful picture books and simple chapter books. Our eBook and downloadable audiobook collections include titles for tweens and teens.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Thanks to funding from Arizona First Things First, all children in Graham and Greenlee counties are eligible to receive free books mailed to their home from birth until their 5th birthday. These high-quality books are theirs to keep and build their own home library.

Books, DVDs and Audiobooks

With approximately 45,000 items on the shelves, the library is sure to have something for you or your students. From picture books and children's audiobooks to nonfiction books and DVDs, we have great resources to support you in the classroom.

For more information or for a teacher tour/training, call 432-4165.

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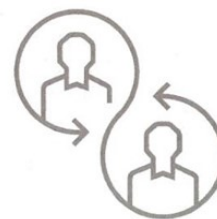
► David Wells Teacher



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[Utilize](#) proportional relationships to determine the economic feasibility of a mine site

[Research](#) how microorganisms are used in the wastewater treatment process

[Identify](#) the physical boundaries of a mine using satellite geoimages

... and much more!

Discover more classroom extensions and teacher resources [here](#).

Extend the learning further with our exclusive [Dig Into Mining Virtual Field Trips](#). Stream on demand to give your students a behind-the-scenes look at a working copper mine and hear from Freeport-McMoRan professionals as they guide you through the mining process from planning to reclamation.

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**A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP FOR
MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS
TEACHING THE NEW PERSONAL FINANCE STANDARDS**

A half-day professional development workshop

Sierra Vista

Saturday, September 28, 2019

8:30 a.m. - Noon

This no-cost half-day workshop will focus on interactive teaching of personal finance.

Attendees will engage in hands-on game-structured lessons related to credit scores, insurance, and budgeting, that they can replicate in their classrooms. These classroom tested lessons add fun to the teacher's day and sticking power to the lesson content.

A digital file containing all workshop materials will be shared with participants. We will provide breakfast for all, and a mileage stipend for those traveling more than 35 miles to the workshop. The workshop is aligned with the new Arizona History and Social Science Standards.

Participants will receive a UA certificate for 3.5 hours of professional development.

Pre-Service teachers are also welcome and encouraged to attend!

There is *no fee* for this program, but you must pre-register

Register online at:

<https://tinyurl.com/ua-oe>

and scroll down

Workshop Location:

UA South, Building C

1140 Colombo Ave, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

A program of the UA Office of Economic Education, in Cooperation with the Cochise County Superintendent of Schools, Cochise County ESA, and UA South, with funding from the Thomas R. Brown Foundation



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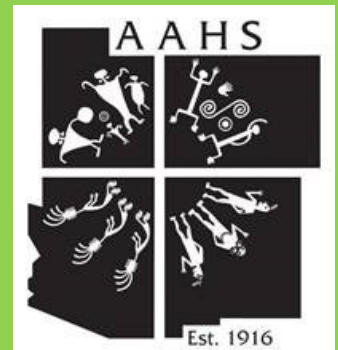
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@everykidinapark

Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society

F. Lewis Orrell Jr. Bequest Curriculum Development Award



Offers grants on average of \$500 per teacher, for a maximum of \$5,000 awarded annually for curriculum enhancement related to the archaeology, history, or anthropology of the American Southwest. Proposals accepted from any public or public-charter elementary, middle, or high school located in Southern Arizona.

Awards will be granted on a competitive basis. These grants are available thanks to a generous bequest to AAHS from F. Lewis Orrell Jr.

How to apply:

- Funds may be requested for materials, supplies, textbooks, bus transportation, or other instructional materials.
- Funds can also be used for direct expenses (travel, enrollment costs) for K-12 teacher Continuing Education courses related to the archaeology, anthropology, or history of the southwestern United States.
- The proposal must clearly demonstrate that the money received will be sufficient to accomplish your project, either in entirety, or as matched with other funds.
- Include a detailed budget
- The written (non-budget) portion of the proposal should not be more than 2 pages (double spaced, 11 point font).



June 30, 2019 is the application deadline. Applications submitted via www.az-arch-and-hist.org. The form can be found on the dropdown menu under Grants. Questions: aahs1916@gmail.com

STEM Field Trip Days

The Arizona Diamondbacks also host STEM Field Trip Days which allow students to engage in STEM-related activities throughout the ballpark.

STEM Field Trip Days have educational programming highlighted by the D-backs Science of Baseball Show that teaches the math and science behind baseball.

As an additional benefit, each student/teacher/chaperone in attendance will receive TWO TICKETS to attend a future Dbacks home game. Tickets will be mailed to your school after the field trip. For more information visit dbacks.com/education.

For more information about these programs, contact the Arizona Diamondbacks Community Affairs department at dbacksfoundation@dbacks.com.

The Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust settlement is providing money for Arizona schools to purchase new diesel and alternative fuel buses. In Wave 5, Graham County was awarded two buses. The Bonita and Pima School Districts will be receiving buses due to new guidelines which include the age of the buses to be replaced, the number of miles of unimproved roads the cover on their routes, and overall need within the districts. In previous waves, Solomon and Fort Thomas were awarded buses. In those cases, the awards were based on need, but the criteria included their free and reduced lunch counts. Wave five took that requirement out, and only allowed the 13 rural counties (Pima and Maricopa were excluded) to apply.

PCM-G is Supporting STEM Teachers Who Need Technology. You Can Help!

For the second year, PCM-G is supporting STEM teachers who need technology, and you can help!

Last May, PCM-G kicked off their 2018 Star Teacher Awards. Their website will feature 12 STEM teacher finalists who will have the opportunity to win one of four \$2,000 classroom grants, in addition to a charging cart solution, and sit-stand desks from Ergotron. Each of the four \$2,000 winners will be entered to win the Star Teacher Grand Technology Prize of new IT equipment for their school valued at \$10,000, to be awarded in early 2019.

How it Works

Four times per year, PCM-G will feature three teachers on their website. Each teacher is eligible to receive a \$2,000 classroom grant. That's where you come in. [Click here](#) to vote for the teacher you believe is most deserving. The winning teacher will be awarded the \$2,000 grant and automatically entered in the final \$10,000 Grand Technology Prize round. Each of the remaining teachers will receive \$600 to use towards classroom supplies.

The 12 finalists were selected based on the strength of their individual proposals and teach at schools in need of technology for their students.

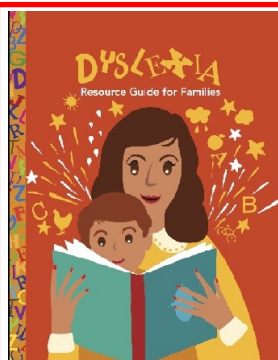
Do you want to help support even more STEM teachers nationwide? [Check out the AdoptAClassroom.org STEM Fund](http://AdoptAClassroom.org)

From the Arizona Department of Health Services—Arizona's Youth Vape Campaign Launch

You can click on the bold [FactsOverFlavor.com](https://factsoverflavor.com) and the "a parent resource website" which will direct you to the sites.

Please feel free to go to the sites and view the campaign and the resources, as well as sharing the information with any partners or organizations that you feel might be interested in it.

<https://directorsblog.health.azdhs.gov/arizonas-youth-vape-campaign-launches/>



Dyslexia Resource Guide for Families Now Available!

Download and share the Dyslexia Resource Guide for Families, a new, parent-friendly resource for families with children 0-12 who want to learn more about dyslexia, what dyslexia might look like in their child and what they can do to support their child if they have dyslexia. [Download the free pdf here.](#)

Read On Arizona extends our sincere appreciation to The Burton Family Foundation for its generous support of the printing and outreach of the *Dyslexia Resource Guide for Families*.

Trauma Resources (from Sandi Cimino, presenter at SEATA)

The Sanford Inspires Program at ASU offers a wealth of free, online resources to teachers.

Steps:

1. Go to <https://sanfordinspire.org/>
2. Create a free account
3. Click on "On Demand Modules" in the toolbar at the top of the page.
4. Scroll through to see all the offerings or search specific terms (like "trauma") in the search box.



The pending *Arizona Department of Education History and Social Science Standards* include economics and financial literacy as one of the four core disciplines, and must be included in all disciplinary skills and processes, across all grades.

If you feel you lack the economics skills, or are rusty, we have TWO online resources for you, both **available here at no charge**.

- The High School Economics & Financial Literacy eTextbook by *Steven Reff*, and his companion interactive material for classroom projection.

These are great references for teachers of all grades across all the social studies, economics, business, and math.

Both are written by **Steven Reff**, retired Tucson high school AP Economics educator and former lecturer in the Economics Department at the University of Arizona. He was also winner of the UA student-selected Five-Star award for best faculty member, among many other awards.

From the Graham County Health Department....

Monthly Workshops

**Location: Graham County Health Department Annex
Building—Upstairs 820 W. Main Street Safford, AZ 85546**

12:00 noon—1:00 p.m.

Bring your lunch and join us for information and education on Dementia/Alzheimer's/Memory Loss.

August 13, 2019

Know the 10 Signs: Early Detection Matters This interactive workshop helps participants to learn the 10 warning signs of Alzheimer's disease and the importance of early detection. We will separate myth from reality and address commonly-held fears about Alzheimer's.

Graham County Health Dept. Chronic Disease Program
820 W. Main St. Safford AZ 85546 **928.792.5368**
lrogers@graham.az.gov

alzheimer's association

Southern Arizona Region
1159 North Craycroft
Tucson, AZ 85712

520.322.6601 Alz.org/dsw

The NEW Senior Services webpage is now available for the public to access. Please visit the page and learn about the services and resources available for our Senior Citizen population.

Senior Services - <https://www.graham.az.gov/614/Senior-Services>

You will find information for services:

- Locally (Graham, Greenlee and Southeastern AZ region)
- State (including Tucson, Phoenix, etc.)
- National websites with additional resources

We would invite you to include the link on your website, FaceBook page, Instagram page, Twitter, etc. in order for us to reach more people who can benefit from the information included on this webpage. We are open to reviewing and adding more links to the site. If you have a trusted link that we have not considered, please contact our webmaster@graham.az.gov. Thanks for sharing this new website with your employees, family, clients, co-workers. There is an abundant amount of information included on the site. Enjoy.....your comments and questions are appreciated. Please contact the webmaster or Laura Rogers lrogers@graham.az.gov. Thanks for helping us educate and inform our senior population and their families.

Arizona Geographic Alliance (AzGA)

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976 S Forest Mall, Coor Bldg, Fifth Floor, Room 5677 (Zip 85281)

Grand Canyon Back to School Kickoff

Canyon Field School, Grand Canyon Conservancy and Grand Canyon National Park are hosting a "Back to School Kickoff" teacher development weekend from August 2-4, 2019.

Their Friday evening through Sunday seminar includes hands-on lesson plans, free resources, collaboration, opportunities, and strategies for including Grand Canyon in your classroom. Throughout the weekend you will explore the Canyon together with hikes, tours, and learning activities. Accommodations, breakfast, and lunch are provided with the cost of the program. All participants will also receive a Canyon Field School reusable water bottle.

Participant Max: 24

Cost: \$30.00 (AZ educators) \$60.00 (Out-of-state educators)

Educators interested in signing up or learning more should [check out the website!](#)

LESSON OF THE WEEK

Disastrous Data: We Need a Plan

Description:

In this lesson students will practice using mean, median, mode, and range to organize and analyze data on the consequences that natural disasters have on human life. Students will formulate ideas to help prepare populations and avoid casualties.

Author: Diana Strouth

Grade Range: 6

Duration: 1-2 class periods

<https://geoalliance.asu.edu/node/211>



SUBMIT A PROPOSAL FOR THE 2019 ASTA CONFERENCE BY JUNE 30TH

The ASTA Annual Conference, **Measuring 3-Dimensional Science Learning** will be taking place on Thursday, **November 7 – Friday, November 8** at the [Challenger Space Center of Arizona](#) in Paradise Valley.

Are you interested in facilitating a workshop for the conference? **ASTA is accepting proposals NOW THROUGH JUNE 30th**. The 2019 conference strands are:

- Measuring the Length of Science Learning - Sustainability and real-world connections; Learning beyond school; Scientifically literate citizens
- Measuring the Depth of Science Learning - Deep conceptual knowledge; Students constructing own understanding; Learning beyond the test

Measuring the Width of Science Learning - Integration across science disciplines and content areas; Wider than just one discipline, more than just science

Click [here](#) to learn more about the [descriptions](#) of each strand and the [guidelines](#) for submitting a proposal. The strands allow for attendees to plan the best series of sessions to meet their particular professional development needs. All sessions will be aligned to one of the [strands](#). To submit a proposal, click [here](#) or visit: <https://forms.gle/ibGNr9v6a2B9NpWR9>.

From the Graham County Sheriff's Office....Text a Tip

"The Text a Tip" program allows a citizen to anonymously submit a crime tip to law enforcement in Graham County. This service was started as a combined effort between the Graham County Substance Abuse Coalition and local law enforcement agencies. It is administered by the Graham County Sheriff's Office Communications Division.

How it works:

- ◆ A citizen can text GRAHAMTIP to 79516 and type the message they want to submit.
- ◆ The message is then sent to the Graham County Sheriff's Office Communications Center.
- ◆ The message is sent anonymously so the dispatcher has no way of knowing who sent it.
- ◆ There is no caller ID on your message.
- ◆ The dispatcher will review the tip information and pass it along to the appropriate agency.
- ◆ It can be used to report drugs, gangs, violence, threats, bullying, vandalism, abuse, illegal dumping, etc.

We still encourage those needing to report in-progress emergencies to call 9-1-1.

Further information about the program can be obtained by contacting Sgt. Scott Howell at 928-792-5404 or showell@graham.az.gov.

Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family

"Healthy Families, Healthy Youth"

In 2016, Governor Ducey's Office of Youth, Faith and Family started a pilot program to help families avoid with the realities of addiction and the devastating effects on our children. The "Keep Them Safe" program brings 7th graders and their parents together for an evening of education and planning for strategies to face the stressors, risks and pressures presented to our kids on a daily basis. The program started with one school in each county. This year, it has expanded to include 53 districts throughout the state. Based on the early success of the pilot, we believe the program will continue to expand.

Information is available for all families in Arizona, whether they are in the county programs or not.

Please visit **KeepthemSafe.az.gov** to learn more about strategies to keep communication open and to take advantage of "teachable moments" regarding drug abuse and addiction.

Additionally, the following resources are available:

National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc. - ncadd.org

National Helpline 1-800-662-HELP (4357)

National Institute on Drug Abuse—drugabuse.gov

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration—samhsa.gov

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www.TeensNeedYou.org



1.866.329.2312
www.ArizonasChildren.org
FosterTeens@arizonaschildren.org

In collaboration with:



United Way of Graham and Greenlee Counties

Education Grant Opportunities

Goal Statement:

The United Way of Graham & Greenlee counties recognizes that education 1) happens everywhere, 2) begins at birth and does not stop, and 3) is a collective community endeavor.

Objectives:

Improving school readiness for every child

The United Way will support activities that help prepare children from birth-to-4 years for successful entry into kindergarten.

Supporting efforts to ensure every student reads at grade level - especially by third grade

The United Way will support and collaborate with educators, agencies and partners who are working to address grade level reading for all grades.

Increasing student access to quality transitional programs

The United Way will support educators, entities and programs that address learning-loss or key transitional periods for students such as after school activities, summer programs and internship opportunities.

Supporting community and school district efforts with teacher retention and recruitment

The United Way will support school districts, businesses, governmental agencies and community development organizations to enhance teacher workforce recruitment and retention.

Providing direct support to teachers in the classroom by helping to cultivate innovative learning environments and approaches

The United Way will partner with schools and teachers to implement innovative approaches to help address 21st Century challenges.

Partnerships:

The United Way recognizes that community partnerships are essential to achieving these education objectives. Wherever possible, the United Way will seek to strengthen and broaden community partnerships for the purposes of leveraging resources, sharing of knowledge and expertise, and enhancing program impacts.

Apply Now!

Visit the United Way website at www.uwggc.com - Click on "How to Apply"

For assistance with your grant, contact Paulette LeBlanc

pleblanc@aznex.net

Rural Activation and Innovation Network



RAIN STEM

Grants are available for up to \$5,000.

STEM Grants!

Grants do not cover salaries, utilities or administrative costs, and must be an “extra-curricular”, weekend or summer event and not during the regular school day.

Attention Graham & Greenlee County Teachers and Community STEM Educators:

Do you have a GREAT idea for a sustainable STEM activity or event... but need help with funding? The Rural Activation and Innovation Network (RAIN) of Graham & Greenlee County can help!

Led by Arizona State University and Arizona Science Center, RAIN (Rural Activation and Innovation Network) is funded by the National Science Foundation to help rural communities in Arizona collaborate on developing locally relevant learning experiences in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). While there are many people in rural areas working on this issue, RAIN aims to bring individuals and organizations together into networks that can share resources and knowledge for learning and outreach.

For more information, Grant Application and Scoring Rubric go to: 4azrain.org

[Hover over “Rural Innovation Councils” and Click on “Graham/Greenlee Counties”](#)

Please forward your grant awards and we will publish them in this newsletter.

Grant opportunities

Education Theatre Foundation—Linda P. Wise Grant for Theatre Educators

Amount: \$2,500 and up

Who may apply: Teachers in school theatre programs

Deadline: Open

Description: To fund programs to enhance productions and technical theatre capacity for performances at a middle or high school.

Link: <https://www.schooltheatre.org/programs/ags/grants>

NEA Foundation—Student Achievement Grants

Amount: \$2,000—\$5,000

Who may apply: Public school preK-12 teachers

Deadline: Open

Description: For programs designed to improve the academic achievement of students, for a plan that fosters critical thinking and problem solving in students and aims to expand their comprehension of various subjects; may be used for resource materials, supplies, equipment, transportation and technology.

Link: <https://www.neafoundation.org/for-educators/student-achievement-grants/>

Mazda Foundation—Mazda Foundation Education Grant

Amount: Amounts vary

Who may apply: Public, charter, private or home schools

Deadline: Open May 1, 2019—July 1, 2019

Description: Support for projects from children's organizations and educational scholarships to food banks, environmental programs, and crucial disaster relief efforts; for programs promoting education and literacy, environmental conservation, cross-cultural understanding, social welfare, and scientific research..

Link: <http://www.mazdafoundation.org/grant-guidelines/>

The Walmart Foundation— Community Grant Program

Amount: Up to \$5,000 each

Who may apply: Public or private schools, non-profit organizations

Deadline: Rolling basis through December 31, 2019

Description: For project in hunger relief and healthy eating, health and human services, quality of life, education, community and economic development, diversity and inclusion, public safety, and environmental sustainability.

Link: <http://giving.walmart.com/walmart-foundation/community-grant-program>

Grant Funding Alerts *It's never too early to start working on a grant!*

Name: Freeport-McMoRan STEM Innovation Grants

Who: K—12 Teachers, school administrators or parent volunteers/PTA officials

Amount: Up to \$5,000

Deadline: March 15 each year (window: Dec. 1—March 15)

<http://www.freeportinmycommunity.com/schools/stem-grant>

Name: Freeport-McMoRan Mini-Grants for Education (Get ready for the next cycle!)

Who: Teachers, school administrators or parent volunteers/PTA officials

Amount: \$100-\$500

Deadline: October 1, 2019 (window: May 1—Oct.1)

Freeport-McMoRan Employee Engagement Programs

Employee Matching Gifts Program - The Freeport-McMoRan Foundation will match employee contributions of \$25 or more, up to an annual maximum of \$40,000. The first \$1,000 contributed per eligible nonprofit organization (including schools) will be double matched and any amount above \$1,000 will be single matched, subject to the annual maximum.

Employee Volunteer Fund - Freeport-McMoRan is proud to support employees that give their time and effort to help those in need by offering funds to match unpaid volunteer hours served. When an employee volunteers a minimum of 25 hours a year with a nonprofit organization (including schools), the organization is eligible to earn either a \$250 or \$500 grant.

FM Employees may learn more about both programs and access the link to process their requests by visit this webpage: <https://www.freeportinmycommunity.com/employees/employee-engagement-programs>

Support My Club – An e-commerce solution where donors can support the needs of high school clubs and sports. Clubs post their specific needs and donors “shop” for items that speak to them. Items are added to the online cart, donors make a 100% tax-deductible purchase and [Support My Club](#) delivers the item directly to the school!

For every \$100 of value received, the school club completes 1 hour of community service, allowing the receiver to become the giver and the cycle of philanthropy to continue.

DonorsChoose.org Makes It Simple to Help Classrooms

DonorsChoose.org is an online charity that makes it easy for anyone to help students in need. Public school teachers from every corner of America post classroom project requests on this site. Donors can find projects or classrooms that most inspire them and make a donation. When a project reaches its funding goal, DonorsChoose.org ships the materials to the school. You'll get photos of the project, a letter from the teacher, and insight into how every dollar was spent. Give over \$50 and you'll also receive a hand-written thank from the students. If you're a teacher looking for support for a classroom project, just go to Donors

Choose.org and start your own account. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation announced that it will match \$1 million in donations to DonorsChoose.org. Donors need to enter the code JUMPSTART to have their donation matched.

Grant opportunities

AZEdNews Classroom Grants for Arizona Teachers

Amount: \$200 each

Deadline: Awarded quarterly Sept., Dec., Feb., and April

To reward teachers for programs that enhance classroom learning. Describe how your initiative or program impacts student achievement and how it reflects the priorities of the governing board and district.

<https://azednews.com/apply-for-an-azednews-classroom-grant/>

Saxena Foundation STEM Grants

Who: All K-12 schools, non-profits

Amount: \$5,000 and up

Deadline: Awarded year-round

For initiatives that promote STEM education and the empowerment of girls, female children, and young women so that they have equal rights later in life. The foundation focuses on empowerment programs to include economic, educational, and political empowerment of women through literacy programs, jobs, and life-skills training.

<http://saxenafoundation.com/guidelines/>

Leadership Foundation for Teacher Education of The Association of Teacher Educators and the Stevenson Family

Robert J. Stevenson Scholarship

Who: All K-12 teachers enrolled in a graduate program

Amount: \$1,200

Deadline: July 15, 2019

To assist a classroom teacher working toward an advanced degree to enhance teacher leadership skills.

<https://ate1.org/robert-j-stevenson-memorial-scholarship>

Monsanto Fund First Robotics Grant

Who: K-12 Schools

Amount: Up to \$6,000 each

Deadline: Opens August 15, 2019—Sept. 15, 2019

Support to student robotics teams competing in activities affiliated with STEM For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST), dedicated to inspiring students to become science and technology leaders. May be used for the following FIRST team activities: robotics grades 9-12; technology challenges in grades 7-12; LEGO Leagues in grade 4-8; and LEGO Leagues Junior for children aged 6-10. Priority is given to teams that demonstrate diversity to maximize impact, such as female-led teams, gender or racially diverse teams, and economically diverse teams.

<http://www.monsantofund.org/grants/first-robotics/>

Grant opportunities

Bridgestone Americans Trust Fund—Education, Youth and Development Grants

Who: All schools, non-profit organizations

Amount: Open

Deadline: Year round

Grants in the areas of education, child development and welfare, and the environment and conservation. Include expanding K-12 music education and promoting professional development for music teachers; hands-on botanical and art museum experiences for children who are underserved; and employment and leadership support for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

<https://www.bridgestoneamericas.com/en/corporate-social-responsibility/community>

Verizon Foundation Education Grants

Who: Public and charter PreK—12 schools, non-profit organizations

Amount: Open

Deadline: Year round

Supports STEM education activities such as summer or after-school programs, teacher training, and research on improving learning in STEM areas through use of technology.

<https://www.verizon.com/about/responsibility/grant-requirements>

Lockhee Martin Corporation—STEM Education Outreach

Who: Public and charter PreK-12 schools, colleges, non-profit organizations

Amount: Open

Deadline: Year round

To support STEM education outreach activities for K-grade 16 students programs, events, and campaigns that focus on student achievement, teacher development, and gender and ethnic diversity.

<https://www.lockheedmartin.com/en-us/who-we-are/communities/applying-for-contributions.html>

American Honda Foundation—Education Grants

Public and private PreK-12 schools, non-profit organizations

Amount: \$20,000—\$75,000 range

Deadline: August 1, 2019

Supports education in STEM; the environment; job training; and literacy. grant projects must reflect the qualities: imaginative, creative, youthful, scientific, humanistic, and innovative.

<https://www.honda.com/community/applying-for-a-grant>



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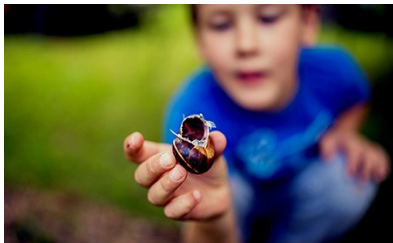
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The 2019 PBISAz Awards officially open May 1, 2019. The application process will be closed on August 31, 2019. Please review the PBISAz Awards Criteria and FAQ if you have any questions.

[2019 PBISAz Award Application](#)

[FAQ](#)

[K-12 Award Criteria](#)

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PBISAz Award Winners

If you want to review the narrative submission and graphs from 2017/ 2018 award winners please visit the following link.

[2018 Award Winners](#)

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